INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL PROJECTS (R1 SMALL GRANTS) CY 2014 FINAL REPORT

Project Title: Woody Vegetation Removal

Station: Willamette Valley NWRC

Contact Person: Damien Miller, Project Leader

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<u>Project Description</u>: The initial project was targeted for 'hidden prairies' along Muddy Creek. With the loss of the supervisory biologist position, the focus of this project was changed to target blackberry throughout the refuge.

<u>Invasive Species Targeted</u>: Himalayan Blackberry

Project Completion Date or Estimated Completion Date: June 2015

<u>Project Results</u>: Efforts to reduce the amount of Himalayan blackberry on parts of Finley were very successful especially in areas where herbicide treatments were combined with prescribed fire. Plans are in place for follow up treatments to occur in spring/summer 2015 on any plants that regrow in treated areas.

Number of Acres Treated: 329

Number of Acres Inventoried and/or Mapped: 329

Number of Acres Restored: 103

Total Grant Amount: \$17,000

Breakdown of Expenditures:

Category	Total \$ Spent	% of Total Grant
Equipment/Supplies		
Chemical		
Biocontrol Agents		
Travel		
Biotech/Contractor Salary	17,000	100
Restoration Materials		
Other (Describe)		
TOTAL	\$17,000	100